CLAIMS

1. A ceramic heater comprising a ceramic plate and a heating element formed on a surface of said ceramic plate or inside thereof,

wherein:

a bottomed hole is made, being directed from the opposite side to a heating surface for heating an object to be heated, toward the heating surface;

the bottom of said bottomed hole is formed relatively nearer to the heating surface than the heating element; and a temperature-measuring element is set up in said

bottomed hole.

- The ceramic heater according to claim 1, wherein the distance between the bottom of said bottomed hole and said heating surface is from 0.1 mm to 1/2 of the thickness of the ceramic plate.
- 20 3. The ceramic heater according to claim 1, wherein the ceramic constituting said ceramic heater is a nitride ceramic or a carbide ceramic.
- The ceramic heater according to claim 1,
 wherein said heating element is divided into at least two circuits.
- The ceramic heater according to claim 1, wherein said heating element has a section in a flat
 shape.
 - 6. A ceramic heater comprising a ceramic plate and a heating element formed on a surface of said ceramic plate or inside thereof, said ceramic heater being equipped with:
- a temperature-measuring element for measuring the

temperature of said ceramic plate;

a control unit for supplying electric power to said heating element;

a memory unit for memorizing the data of a temperature measured by said temperature-measuring element; and

an operation unit for calculating electric power required for said heating element from said temperature data,

wherein:

a bottomed hole is made, being directed from the opposite

10 side to a heating surface for heating an object to be heated,
toward the heating surface;

the bottom of said bottomed hole is formed relatively nearer to the heating surface than the heating element;

and a temperature-measuring element is set up in said bottomed hole.

- 7. The ceramic heater according to claim 6, wherein said heating element is divided into at least two circuits and different electric powers are supplied to the respective circuits.
- 8. The ceramic heater according to any of claims 1 to 7, wherein said temperature-measuring element is a sheath type thermocouple.

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- 9. The ceramic heater according to any of claims 1 to 8, wherein said temperature-measuring element is pressed on the bottom portion of the bottomed hole.
- 30 10. The ceramic heater according to claim 9, wherein said temperature-measuring element is pressed thereon, by means of an elastic body or a screw.
- 11. The ceramic heater according to any of claims 1 to 10, 35 wherein said temperature-measuring element is sealed in

the bottomed hole with an insulator.